LSTA Grant Awards January 2009

The following LSTA grants totaling \$379,273 were awarded in the Fall 2008 Grant Call.

LONG TERM

Digital Imaging - \$99,813

A. T. Still Memorial Library (A. T. Still University) - \$38,761

A. T. Still Memorial Library and Still National Osteopathic Museum and National Center for Osteopathic History are partnering to transcribe and digitize the historic handwritten personal papers of Andrew Taylor Still, MD, DO. This includes 211 documents, 562 pages. Dr. Still is the founder of osteopathy. The collection will be hosted on the Missouri Digital Heritage website.

Duane G. Meyer Library (Missouri State University – Springfield) - \$6,502

The Missouri State University Libraries' Maps Collection will digitize and create metadata using the Dublin Core schema for 222 contact prints of 1936-38 aerial photography and 375 contact prints of 1953 aerial photography of Greene County Missouri. The images and metadata will be mounted on the University's ContentDM with public access available via the Missouri Digital Heritage website.

Hearnes Learning Resource Center (Missouri Western State University) - \$8,658

The Library will complete the digitization and transcription and digitization of the Ellinor Runcie collection, including her remaining letters, personal journal and poems. The collection will be available through the Missouri Digital Heritage website.

Hugh Stephens Library (Stephens College) - \$19,998

The Library will continue digitizing the college's yearbook, *Stephensophia*, from 1941 to 1965. This constitutes approximately 6,630 pages with 6,350 of those in black and white and 280 in color. The collection will be hosted on the Missouri Digital Heritage website.

State Historical Society of Missouri - \$25,894

This project will make available approximately 1,000 newspaper articles and 5,224 manuscript records describing life in Missouri during the war and will provide the base for digitization of additional records in recognition of the sesquicentennial of the Civil War. The grantee will host metadata and images on its server and grant Missouri Digital Heritage the ability to link to the metadata and images.

Website Makeover - \$62,552

Albany Carnegie Public Library - \$2,254

The grant will provide funds to hire a web designer for a complete makeover of the Albany Carnegie Public Library's website and provide training to staff in maintaining and updating the site. The new site will be accessible.

Cass County Public Library - \$1,333

The Library will contract with a designer in creating a cascading style sheet, buttons, and logo to be used in conjunction with the REAL EZ Web program. Instructional guides will be developed for patrons to learn how to place requests through the online catalog and how to blog on the Library's new book club blog.

Jefferson County Library - \$7,500

The Library will hire a consultant to redesign the library's website, migrate content from the current website, and train the staff on the new content management system software. The goal is to provide a vibrant, user-friendly virtual branch of the Jefferson County Library open for business 24/7 to meet the informational, educational and recreational needs of users of all ages and abilities from their home computers, laptops, and handheld devices such as cell phones and PDAs.

Kirkwood Public Library - \$13,617

The Library will update its website so that it is ADA compliant. It will also be more interactive than the current site, creating pages for online learning, adding book talks, podcasts and streaming story times.

Missouri River Regional Library - \$5,842

The Library will redesign its website to improve the Library's public face and to add new features. Drupal open source software will be used. Library staff will be responsible for reviewing and revising current website content for use on the new site as well as maintaining it in the future. Funds will be used for graphic design, a Web server, a video curriculum for staff use and a two day workshop on using Drupal for the project manager.

Saint Charles City-County Library - \$28,376

The main purpose is to make the site an online "virtual branch", circulating electronic materials to residents regardless of location. The site will be easier to navigate, access to electronic audio, video, and image-based data will be improved, and information will be more current, reliable and accessible. It is estimated the current site will be condensed from 5,000 pages to 1,000 pages. In addition to design, funds will be used for a Web server and software including configuration, promotional efforts, and Web hosting.

Webster Groves Public Library - \$3,630

The library will redesign its website to make it more appealing and user-friendly for all the citizens of Webster Groves. Website design and migration will be the responsibility of an outside firm in consultation with library staff. Once completed, library staff will be able to perform routine updates.

<u>INTERMEDIATE</u>

Summer Library Program - \$150,431

Adair County Library - \$3,456

The Library will offer a nine week summer library program to its community. The kick-off event will be a presentation by storyteller Bobby Norfolk. The Library is sharing presentation expenses with the Hannibal Free Public Library and the Macon Public Library where he will also perform.

Albany Carnegie Public Library - \$4,686

The Carnegie Public Library's 2009 Summer Reading Program uses grant funds to provide staff, program supplies, transportation for child care youth, a martial arts presenter and paid advertisements for a nineweek program.

Cape Girardeau Public Library - \$11,069

In this grant, the Library has three major goals: 1) to increase community awareness of the program; 2) take library services to at-risk students via an extended outreach program; and 3) increase summer reading programs and activities for teens and tweens by offering computer-focused programs that emphasize creative self-expression such as photography, digital scrapbooking, creative writing and art.

Daniel Boone Regional Library - \$14,796

The purpose of the grant is to provide summer reading opportunities for K-6th graders who do not have easy access to a library building during the summer months. Three schools will have their media centers kept open; a snail mail book program will be offered; and six to eight educational programs will be presented.

Dent-Phelps R-3 Elementary School - \$4,234

This program has three purposes: 1) to have school library materials available to summer school students during summer session; 2) to offer a twice daily summer reading program for all other youth during the summer session term and once a week summer reading program activities and events from June 29, 2009 to July 31, 2009; and 3) serve rural students for whom travel to the library is either impossible or infrequent through a mail-based summer reading program.

Gentry County Library - \$7,500

The Gentry County Library will continue and expand its outreach started in 2008 with the Stanberry R-2 and King City R-1 school districts, as well as eight area day cares. Learning activities from the summer reading program will be incorporated into the school curriculum. Children from the schools and local day cares will be bused to the library to participate in weekly events and activities.

Little Dixie Regional Libraries - \$10,000

Little Dixie Regional Libraries and Moberly Public Schools are partnering to bring Be Creative @ Your Library Summer Reading Program to children attending summer school at the Moberly Public Schools. The libraries of the public school will be open, special library presentations from authors, musicians, and artists will be held during the summer school hours. Students will be bused from the school to the public library for these programs. After the summer school session ends, the librarians will team with the Randolph Caring Communities, local day care centers, YMCA, A+ program, and other entities to provide library time programs at the area schools, agency centers, and school libraries.

McDonald County Library - \$10,000

School librarians will keep school libraries open a few hours a week during Summer School. After summer school, a traveling collection will be available to these students so they can continue reading throughout July. The Library will hold special story time events in the remote areas of the county one evening a week in June and July. Weekly story times will be held at the main library in June and July. The kick-off event will be a "Be Creative Imagination Festival" held in the Pineville school gymnasium.

Moniteau County Library - California Sub-district - \$4.125

Wood Place library will offer a twelve week program for children ages 0 to 17. An author visit by Judy Young will kick-off the program. A variety of educational presentations will be given throughout the program to maintain interest in and encourage reading throughout the summer months. Teens will be invited to participate in a special digital photo editing workshop where they will select their favorite book and create a poster showing how the book motivated them or affected their lives.

Morgan County R-1 - \$6,972

The grant has two parts: 1) to keep the school library open during the Morgan County R-1 summer school session; and 2) to take the summer library program into the three main communities served by the school district—Ivy Bend, Florence, and Stover. The summer school session is three weeks; the summer library program will last eight weeks.

Mound City Public Library - \$6,768

The Library is celebrating both NASA's 50th Anniversary and the move to their new library space. They will use a series of story times and crafts with a space science theme. Seven presenters will provide educational programs that celebrate space and the use of space in all its contexts.

Mountain View Public Library - \$1,780

"Summer Reading Hits the Road", created in 2008, will be continued in 2009 reaching area schools and day cares onsite. The program will last eight weeks.

Rolla Free Public Library - \$8,965

The Library will have a nine week program with each week having a different program surrounding the theme "Creation Celebration". There will also be a volunteer training event.

Rolling Hills Consolidated Library - \$9,680

The Library will conduct a nine week program at the library, and special "mini" summer reading programs at eight elementary schools and two day care centers. Volunteers will be used to help facilitate the programs at the elementary schools and the library. The program will include twenty "Be Creative" events targeting children and eight "Express Yourself" events targeting teens.

Saint Louis County Library - \$15,000

The Saint Louis County Library will go beyond its regular Teen Summer Reading Club by adding a technology component: video production by teens. Teens will be encouraged to express themselves by creating either a short video "book trailer" highlight of a book they have read or producing a commercial promoting the Saint Louis County Library or library services. The Teen Summer Reading Club will run for nine weeks.

Saint Louis Public Library - \$15,000

LSTA funds will be used for bus and *Savvy Family* advertisements, part-time staff, program supplies and printing supplies to facilitate the Library's ten-week Summer Reading Program surrounding the "Be Creative" and "Express Yourself" themes.

Springfield-Greene County Library - \$15,000

The Library will expand its Summer Reading to Go Program from last year so that it will reach all children at the Boys and Girls Club locations, 35 home child care sites, eight commercial day care facilities, the Springfield Community Center and Boys and Girls Town. Program staff will provide story time programs and activities, track hours spent reading, provide a rotating book collection, and communicate with parents, schools and agency leaders about the program and its impact on the participating students.

Worth County Library - \$1,400

Grant funds will keep the school library open in the morning during Summer School from May 26-June 26, 2009, staffed by the school librarian and an assistant. Additionally, the Summer Reading Program is available to youth in the afternoons through August 27 when the county library director staffs the library.

Early Literacy Pilot Project - \$66,477

The Early Literacy Pilot Project is intended to help libraries provide educational programs targeted for preschoolers through second graders. Grant funds are used to purchase and promote the AWE Early Literacy Station and/or Early Literacy Station—Bilingual Spanish. These stations are self-contained systems comprised of a computer station loaded with 40 top-rated educational software packages across seven curricular areas. The software programs provide practice and awareness of the six pre-reading skills that support early literacy for the preschool age child including vocabulary, print motivation, print awareness, narrative skills, phonological awareness, and letter knowledge.

Public libraries invited to participate in this pilot project were selected on the following criteria:

- increase of Hispanic population from 1990-2000
- schools with "provisional or unaccredited" status located within the library district
- past literacy activities offered
- certified to receive State Aid

Grants were awarded to the following libraries:

Early Literacy Pilot Project

Library	Title	Awarded
Adair County Public Library	Pilot Project Application	\$5,502.00
Boonslick Regional Library	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$1,200.00
Boonslick Regional Library	Pilot Project Application-Add'l sites	\$5,554.00
Cape Girardeau Public Library	Pilot Project Application	\$5,554.00
Dunklin County	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$1,063.00
Henry County Library	Pilot Project Application	\$5,677.00
Joplin Public Library	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$800.00
Little Dixie Regional Libraries	Pilot Project Application	\$5,600.00
McDonald County Library	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$1,200.00
Moniteau County Library-California	Pilot Project Application	\$5,672.00
Nevada Public Library	Pilot Project Application	\$5,521.00
Rolling Hills Consolidated Library Dist.	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$1,017.00
Rolling Hills Consolidated Library Dist.	Pilot Project Application-Add'l site	\$5,417.00
Saint Joseph Public Library	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$800.00
	Pilot Project Application-Add'l site,	
Saint Joseph Public Library	stations	\$5,400.00
Sedalia Public Library	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$800.00
	Pilot Project Application-Bilingual	
Sedalia Public Library	Station	\$2,900.00
Texas County Library	Application Renewal: Year Two	\$1,000.00
Texas County Library	Pilot Project Application-Add'l site	\$5,800.00

Total \$66,477.00